



# **Armed Forces College of Medicine AFCM**



# **DEVELOPMENT OF HEAD AND NECK 1**

## **DEVELOPMENT OF BRANCHIAL] [(PHARYNGEAL) APPARATUS**

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## INTENDED LEARNING OBJECTIVES (II)

By the end of this lecture the student will be able to:

1. Identify the basic structure of the branchial (pharyngeal) arches.
2. Discuss the derivatives of the branchial (pharyngeal) arches (mesodermal derivatives).
3. Comment on the derivatives of the branchial (pharyngeal) pouches (endodermal derivatives).
4. Give a note on the derivatives of the branchial (pharyngeal) clefts (ectodermal derivatives).
5. Explain the congenital anomalies of the branchial (pharyngeal) apparatus.

## Lecture Plan



1. Part 1 (5 min) Introduction
2. Part 2 (40 min) Main lecture
3. Part 3 (5 min) Summary

## Key points



1. 4 components of branchial (pharyngeal) apparatus
2. Pharyngeal arches, components & derivatives
3. Pharyngeal pouches & their derivatives
4. Congenital anomalies of pharyngeal apparatus

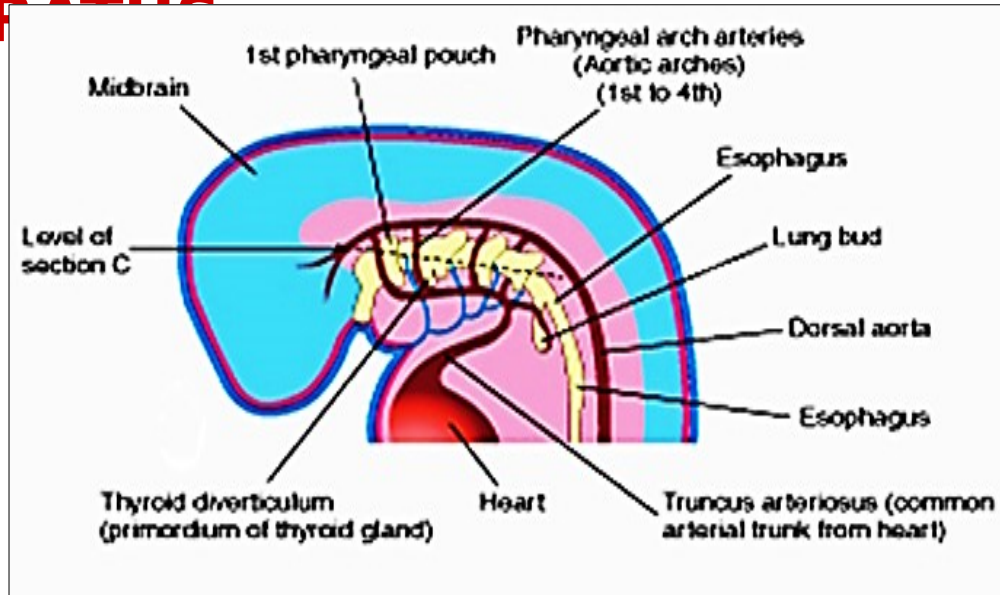


# PHARYNGEAL (BRANCHIAL)

## APPARATUS

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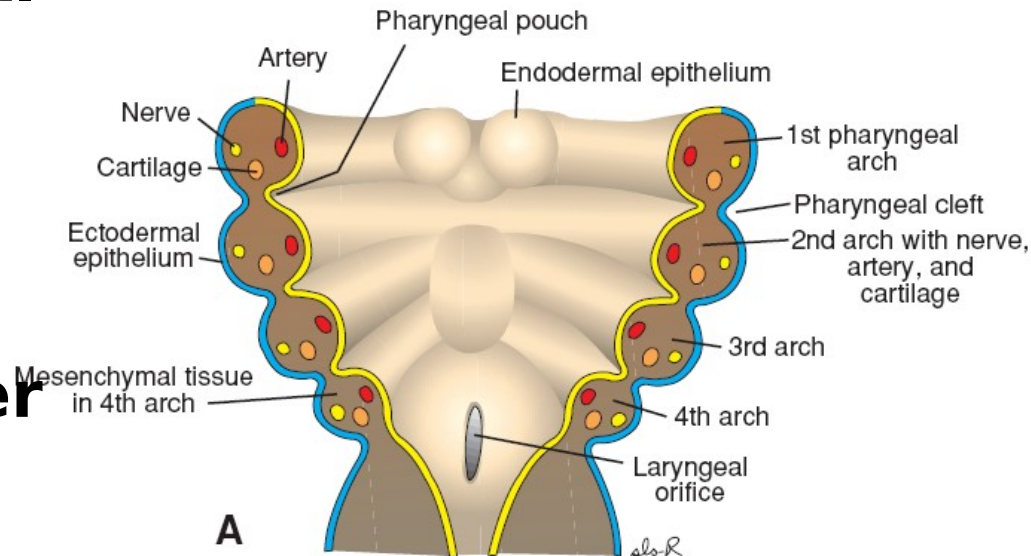
The pharyngeal arches begin to develop in the lateral walls of the primordial pharynx during **4<sup>th</sup> week** in the form of 6 curved cylindrical mesodermal thickenings on each side of the primitive pharynx.



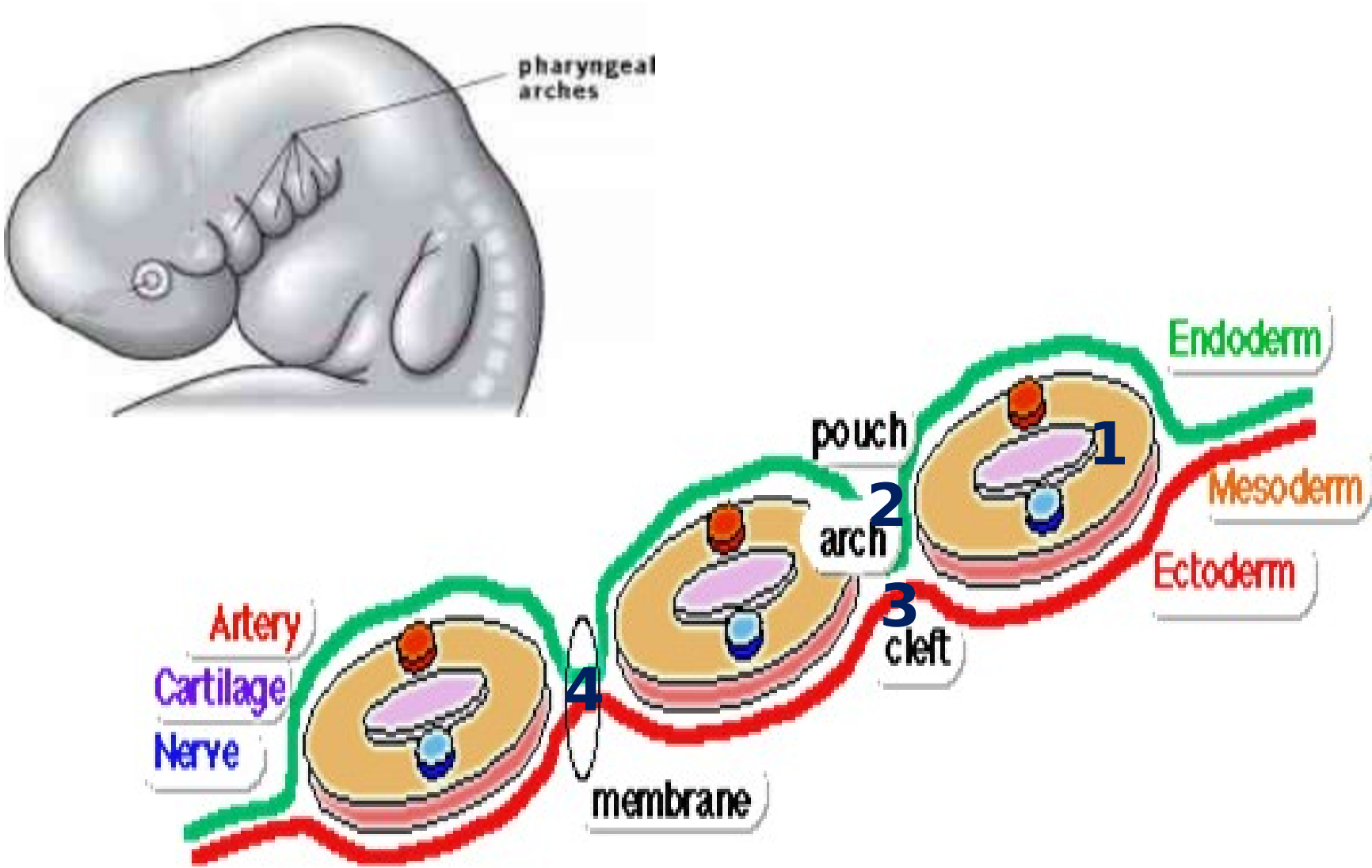
- Each arch consists of:  
a- an outer ectodermal covering.

b- an inner endodermal lining.

c- a mesodermal core



# Branchial (pharyngeal) apparatus





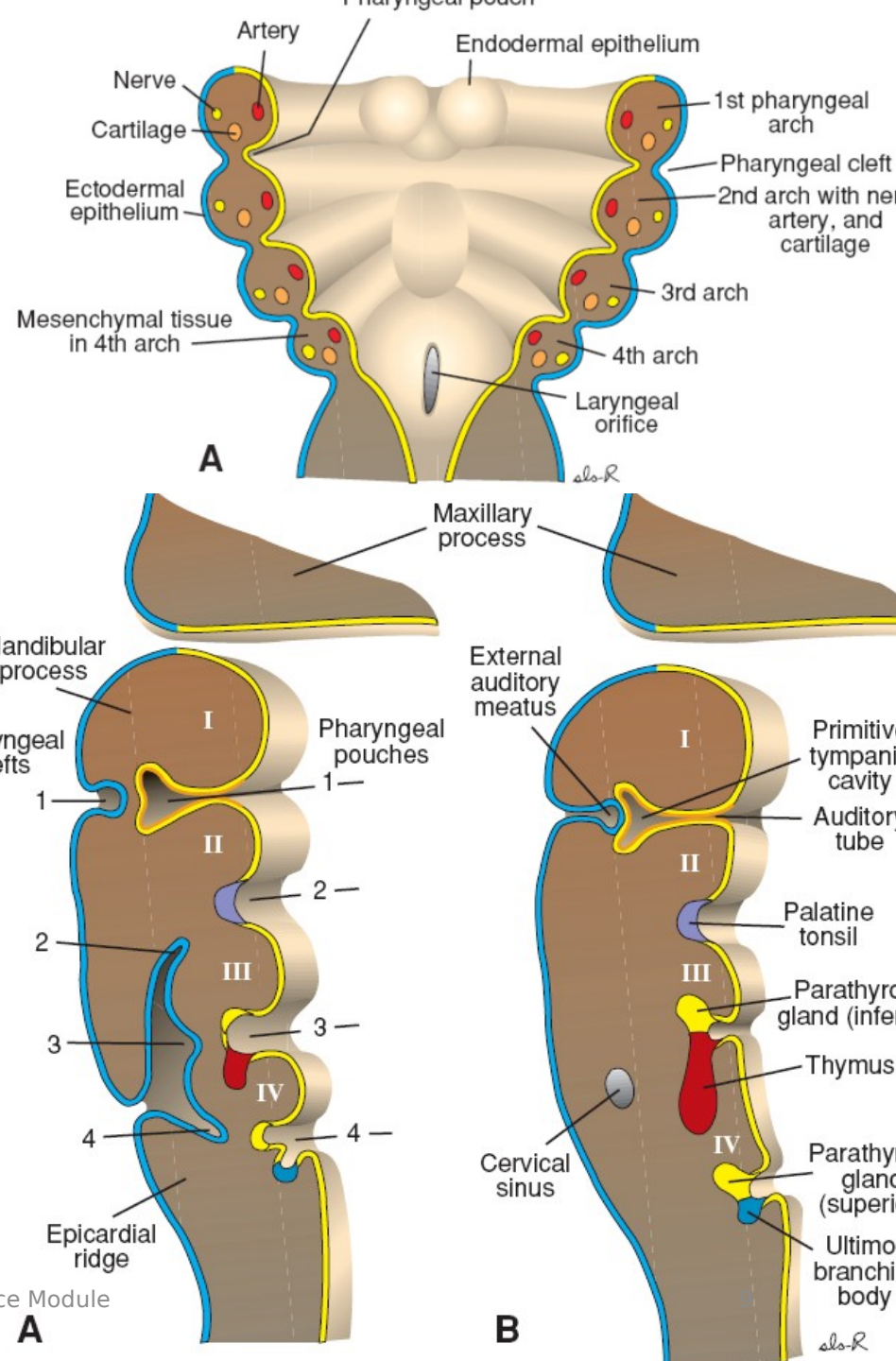
- 5<sup>th</sup> arch disappears early & 6<sup>th</sup> arch becomes very small.

- **The mesodermal component of each arch differentiates into the following components:**

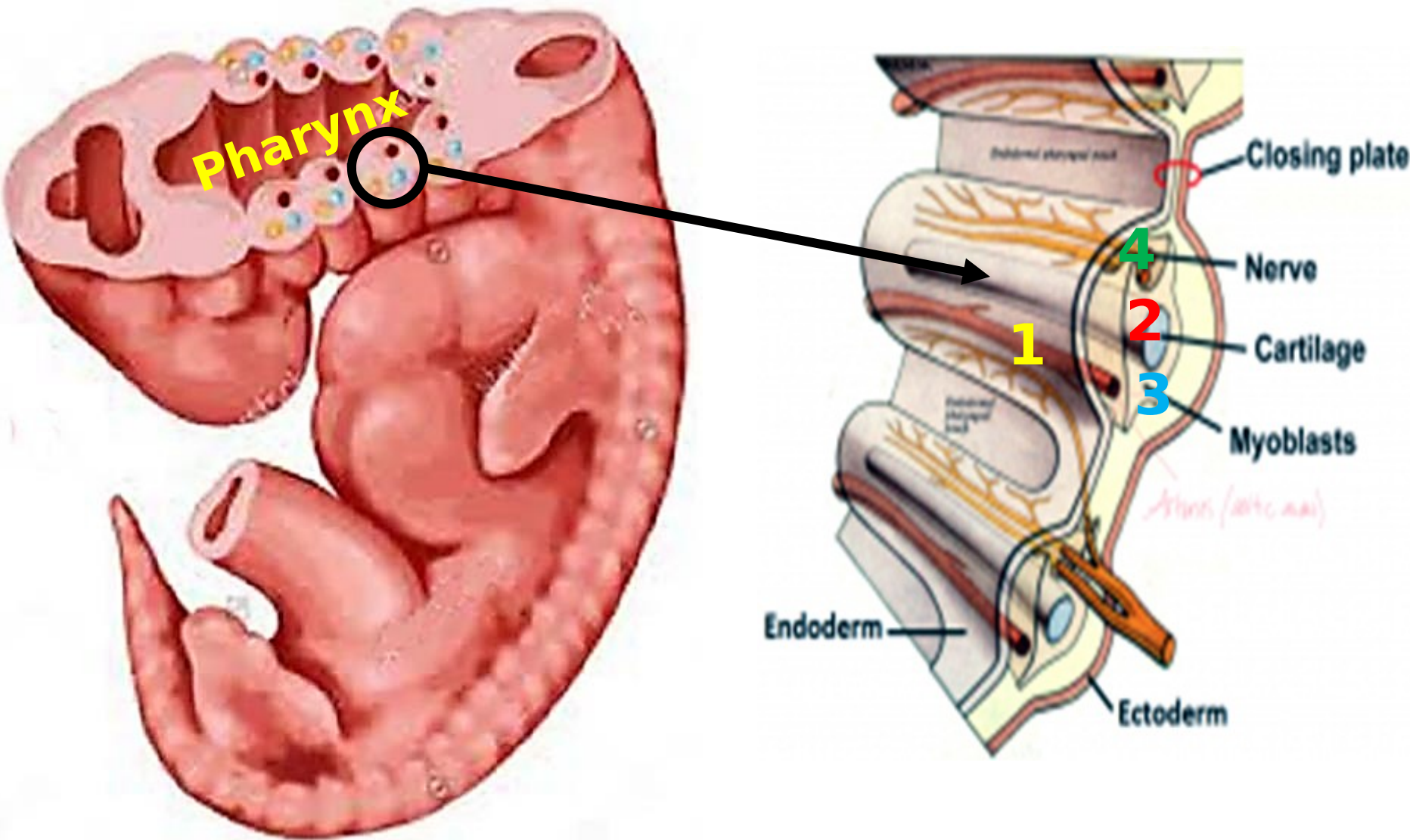
**1- Skeletal element: (arch cartilage) which differentiates into certain cartilages, ligaments and bones of head and neck.**

**2- Muscular element: differentiates into certain muscles..**

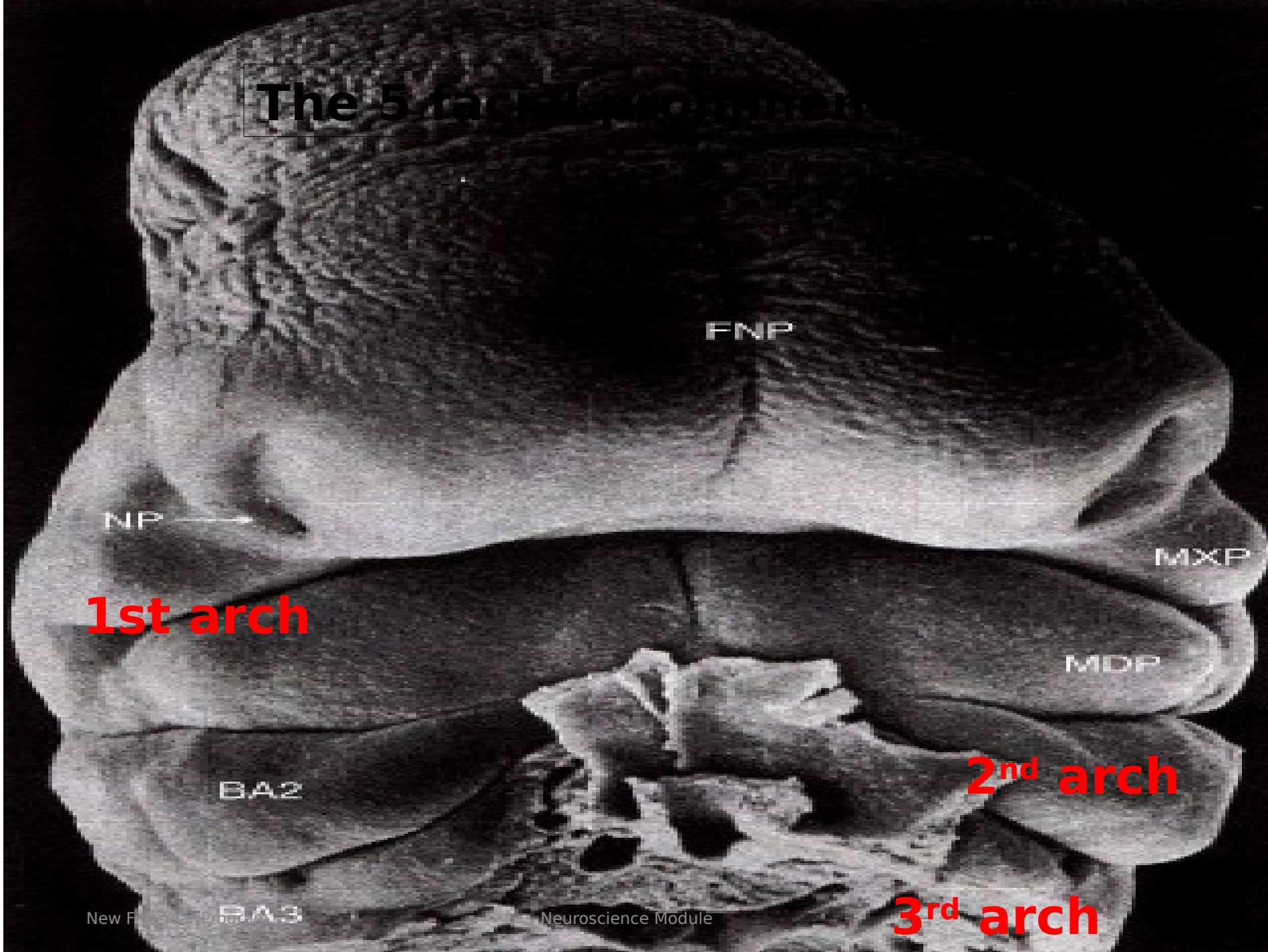
■ During 5<sup>th</sup> week of development, pharyngeal arch 1 enlarges &



# Components of pharyngeal arches



# The 5 facial prominences



**1st arch**

**2nd arch**

**3rd arch**

# Derivatives of pharyngeal arch cartilages:

## ■ 1<sup>st</sup> pharyngeal arch (**Mandibular arch**):

Divides into mandibular and maxillary processes.

The cartilage of mandibular process is called Meckel's cartilage.

-It disappears leaving 2 remnants (**incus & malleus**) in middle ear.

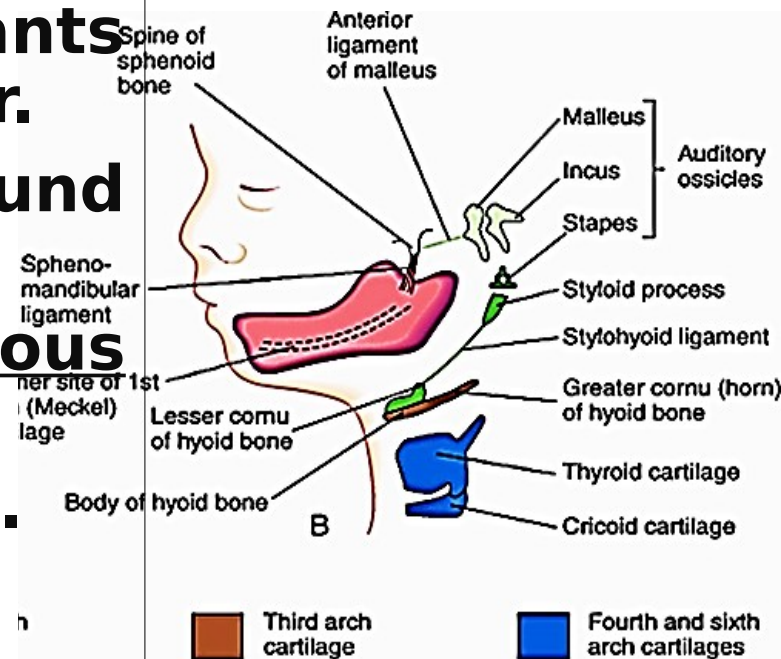
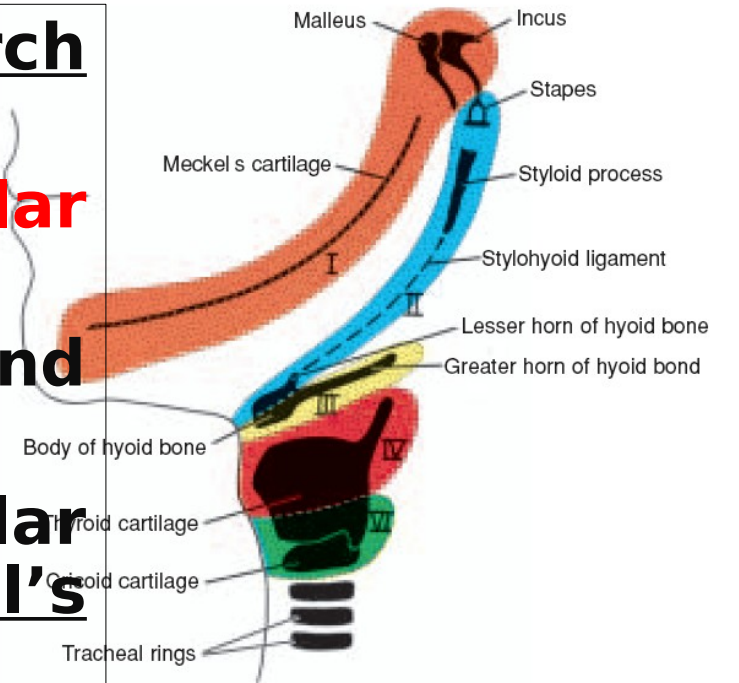
-The mesenchyme around Meckel's cartilage gives:

1. Mandible, by membranous ossification.

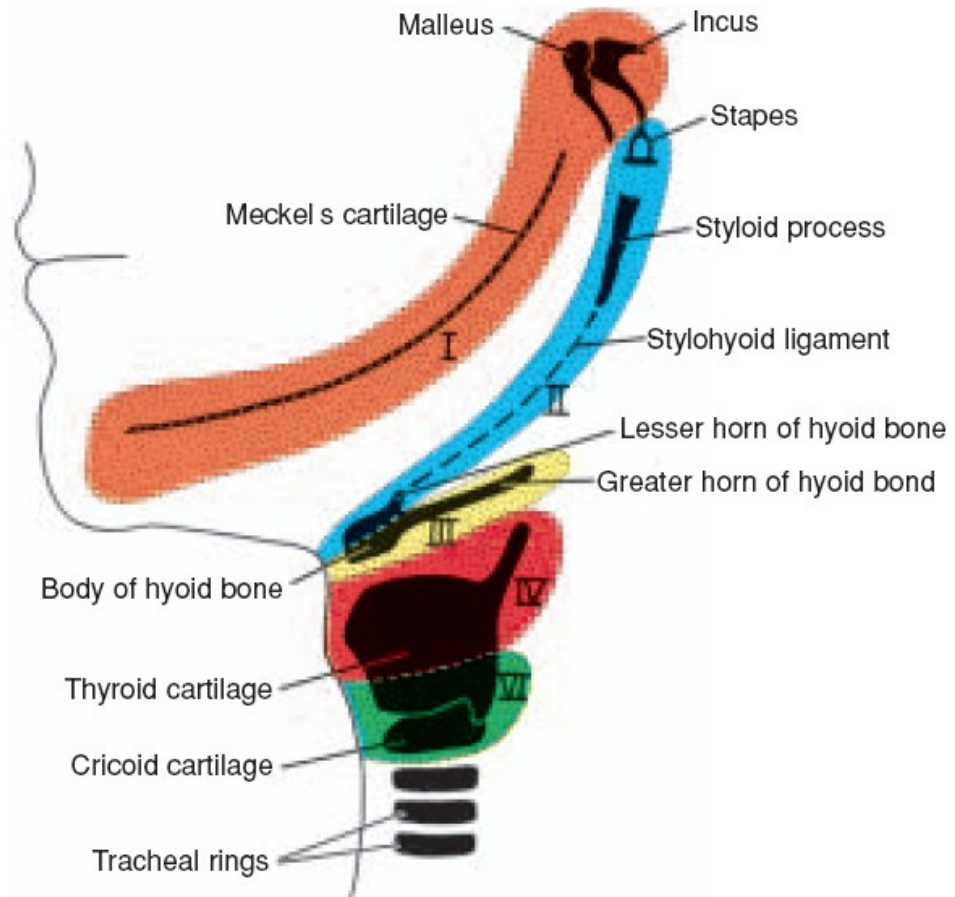
2. Sphenomandibular ligament.

3. Spine of sphenoid.

4. Anterior ligament of malleus.

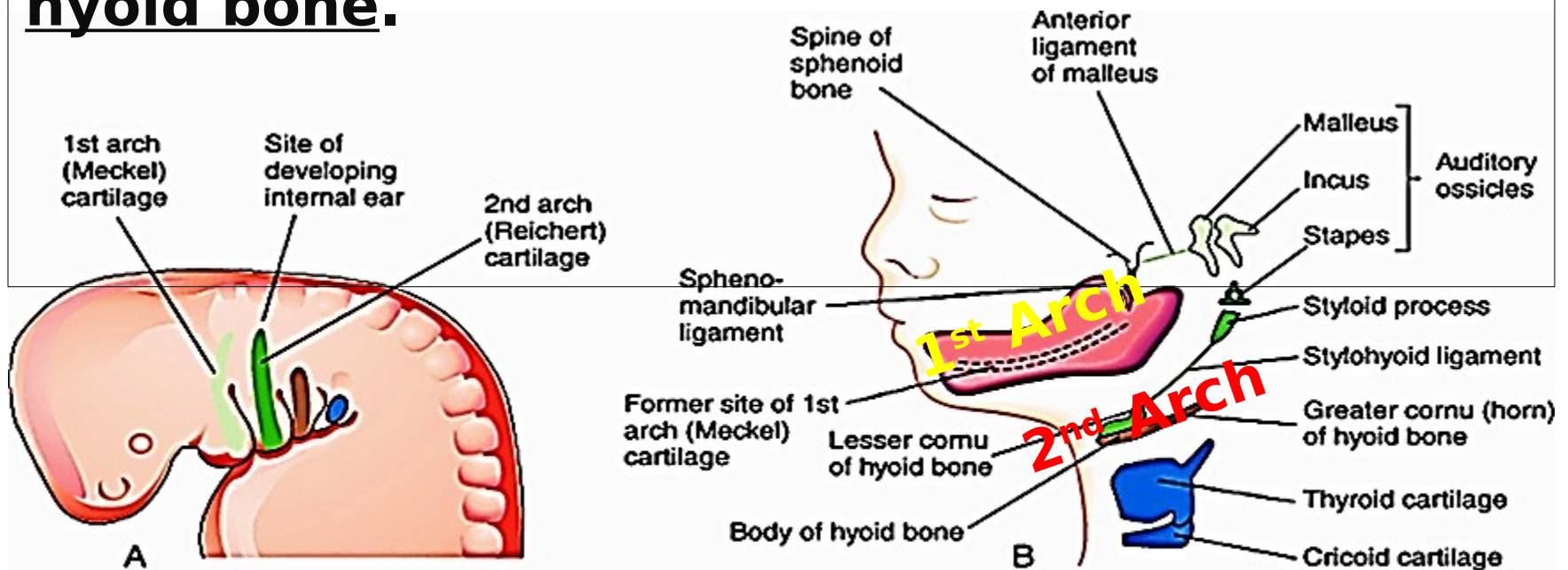






■ **2<sup>nd</sup>** pharyngeal arch (**Hyoid arch**): Its cartilage is called Reichert's cartilage. It gives:

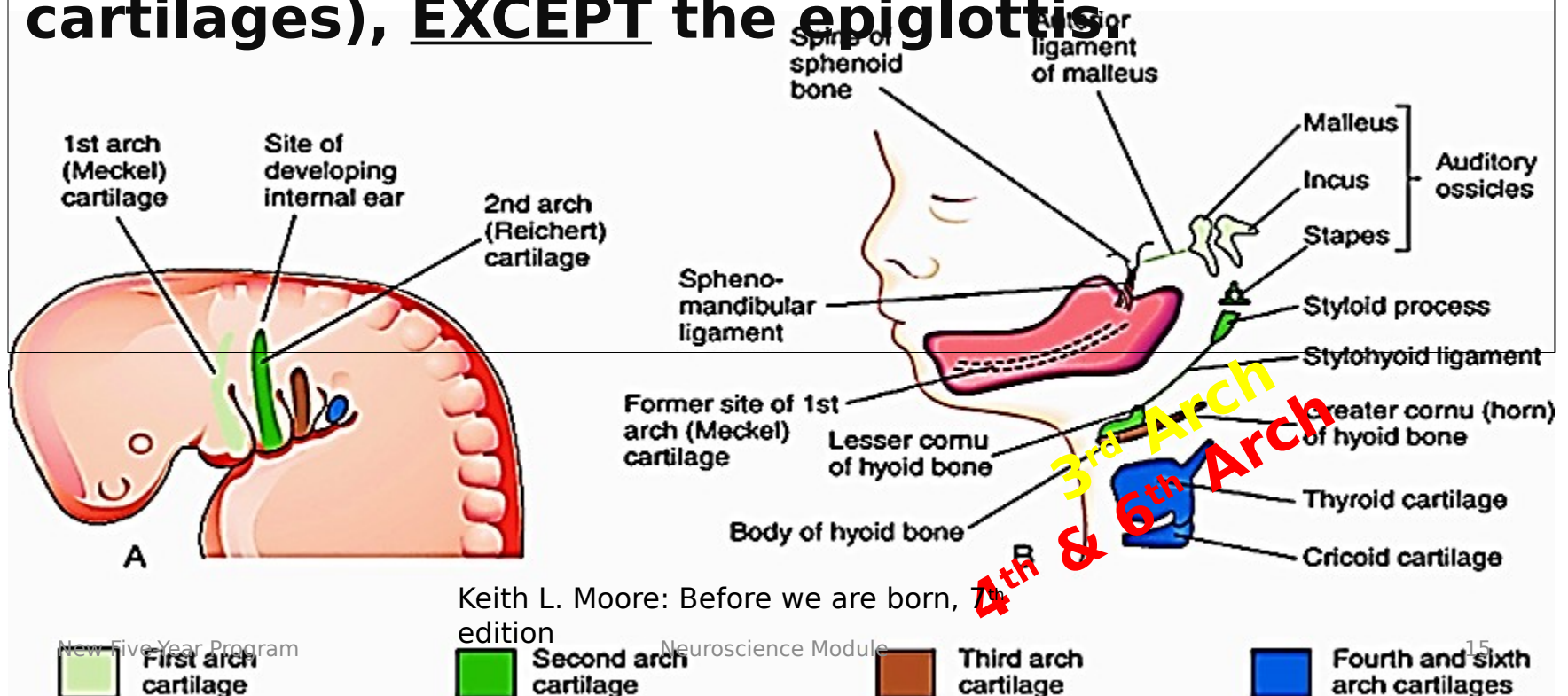
1. Stapes.
2. Styloid process.
3. Stylohyoid ligament.
4. Lesser cornu & upper part of the body of hyoid bone.



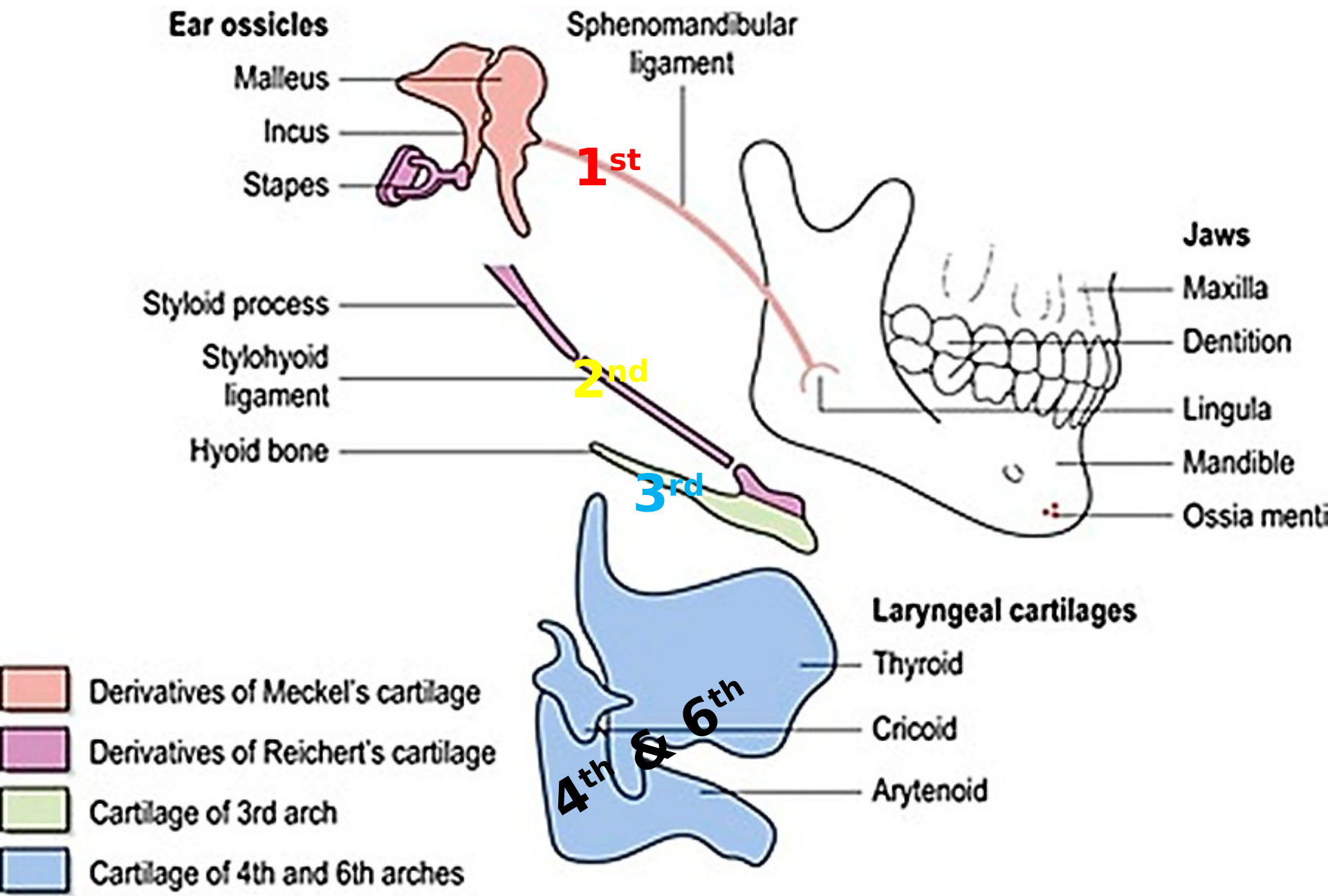
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■ **3<sup>rd</sup>** pharyngeal arch: Its cartilage ossifies to form the greater cornu & inferior part of the body of the hyoid bone.

■ **4<sup>th</sup>** & **6<sup>th</sup>** pharyngeal arch cartilages: They fuse (as the 5<sup>th</sup> arch disappears) to form all laryngeal cartilages (e.g. thyroid & cricoid cartilages), EXCEPT the epiglottis.



# Derivatives of pharyngeal arch cartilages





## ● Derivatives of pharyngeal arch muscles:

- **1<sup>st</sup>** pharyngeal arch → Muscles of mastication (4) + 4 other muscles: 2 tensor (palati & tympani) and 2 adjacent muscles (mylohyoid & anterior belly of digastric).

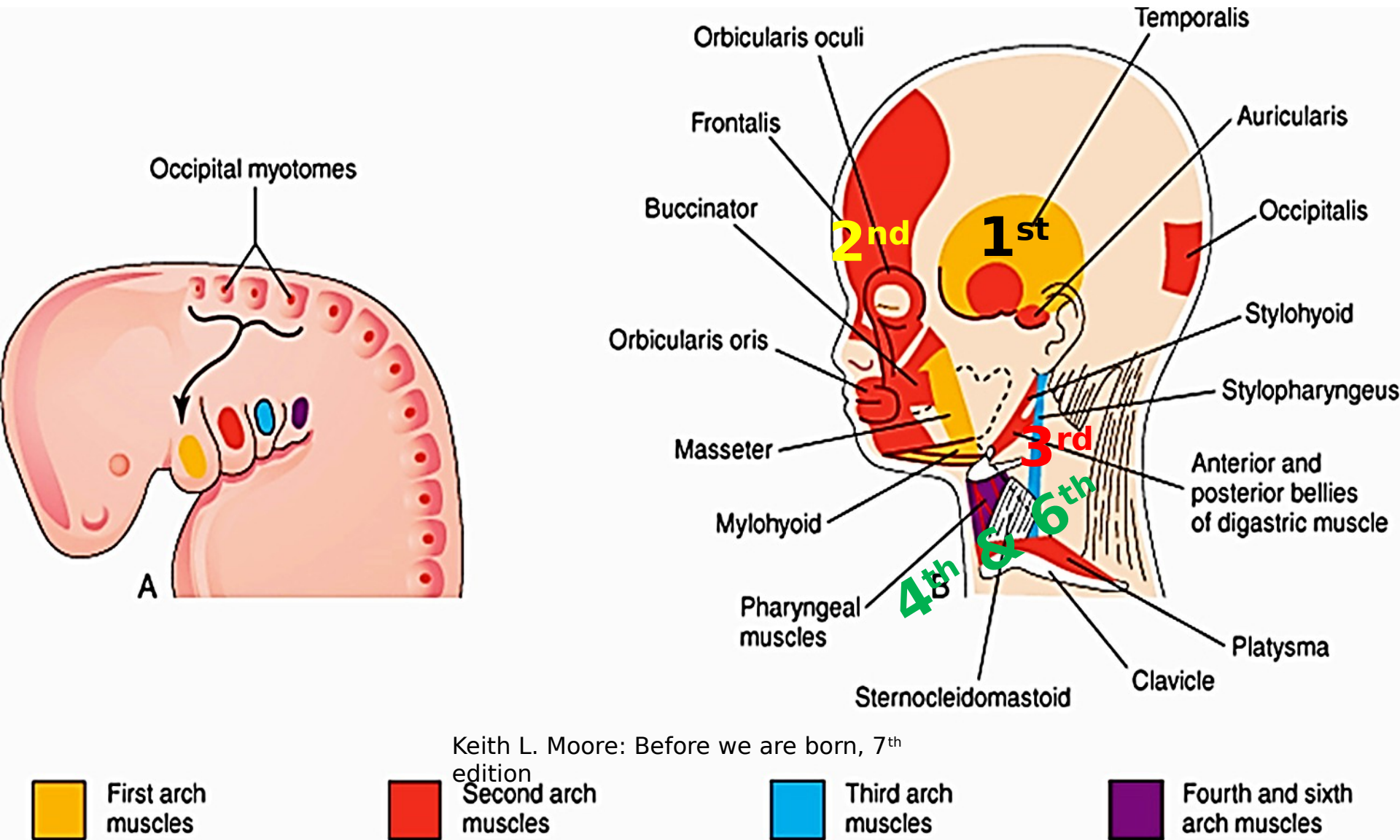
- **2<sup>nd</sup>** pharyngeal arch → Muscles of facial expression + 4 other muscles: Stapedius (in middle ear), platysma and 2 adjacent muscles (stylohyoid & posterior belly of digastric).

- **3<sup>rd</sup>** pharyngeal arch → Only one muscle (Stylopharyngeus muscle).

- **4<sup>th</sup>** pharyngeal arch → *Cricothyroid* - Pharyngeal constrictors - Levator palati.

- **6<sup>th</sup>** pharyngeal arch → All muscles of the larynx EXCEPT cricothyroid muscle.

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# ● Nerve supply of pharyngeal arches: 5 - 7 - 9 - 10 & 11 [1975]

.Each arch is supplied by a cranial nerve (CN) which supplies the muscles derived from this arch (*Motor*):

- **1<sup>st</sup>** pharyngeal arch → Mandibular division of trigeminal N. **5**

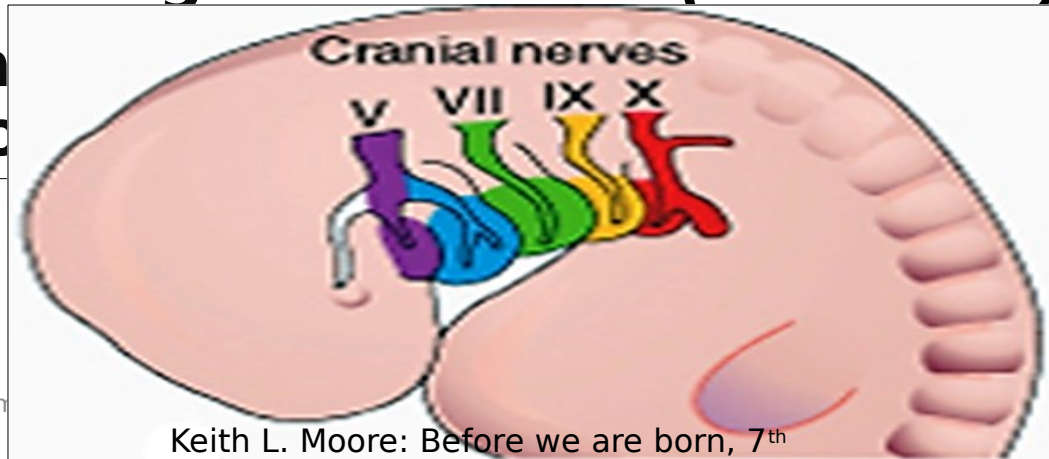
- **2<sup>nd</sup>** pharyngeal arch → Facial N. **7**

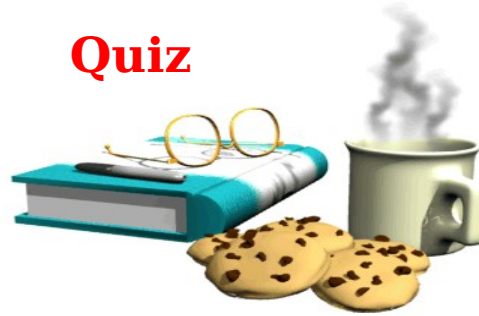
- **3<sup>rd</sup>** pharyngeal arch → Glossopharyngeal N. **9**

- **4<sup>th</sup>** pharyngeal arch → Superior laryngeal branch of vagus nerve. **10** (+ **11<sup>th</sup> CN**)

- **6<sup>th</sup>** pha  
branch c

laryngeal





■ Mention true regarding dev apparatus:

each statement of pharyngeal

a. 1<sup>st</sup> pharyngeal arch is innervated by trigeminal nerve.



b. Vagus nerve innervates both 4<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> arches.



c. Temporalis & buccinator develop from 2<sup>nd</sup> pharyngeal arch.



d. Cervical sinus is formed by 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> pharyngeal clefts.

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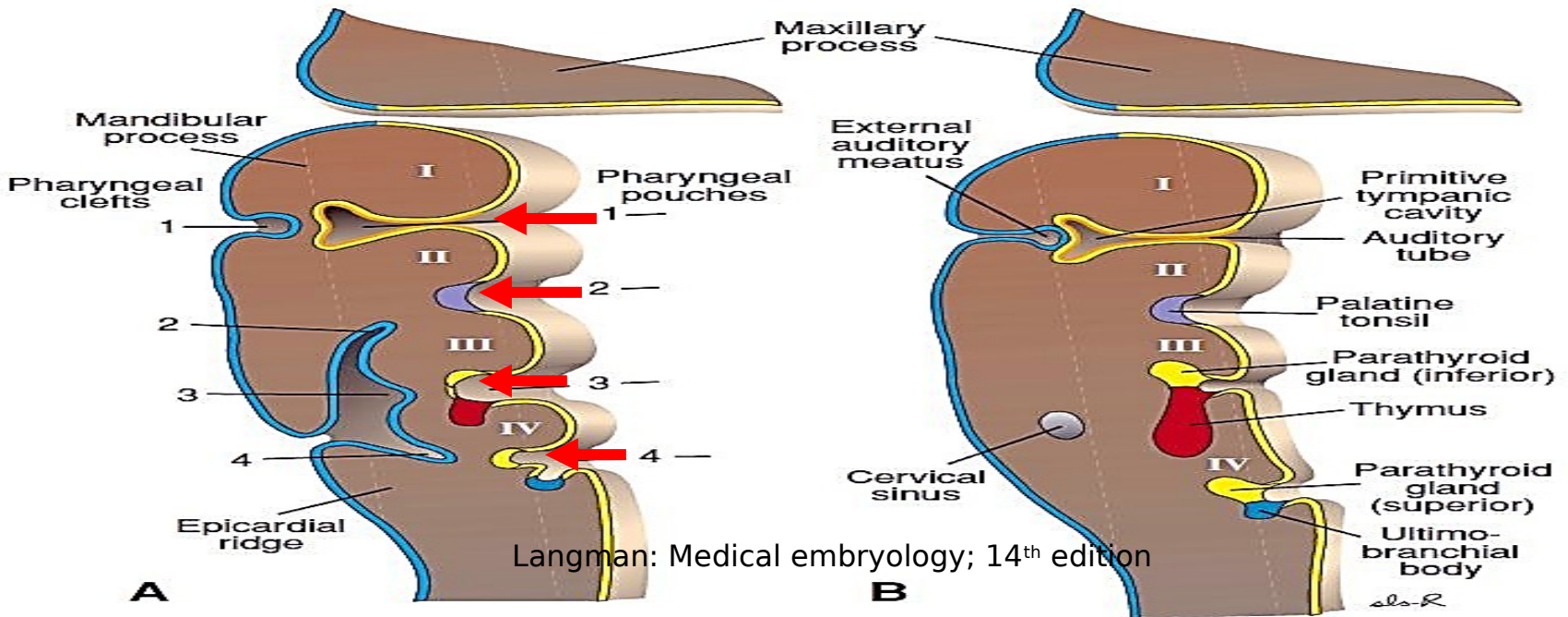
■ What are the muscular derivatives of both 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> pharyngeal arches?

## ♣ Pharyngeal pouches: 4

-The endoderm of primordial pharynx lines the inner aspect of the pharyngeal arches & passes into diverticula known as the pharyngeal pouches.

.The pharyngeal pouches lie in-between the pharyngeal arches (e.g. 1<sup>st</sup> pouch lie between 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> arches).

.**4 pairs** of pharyngeal pouches are well



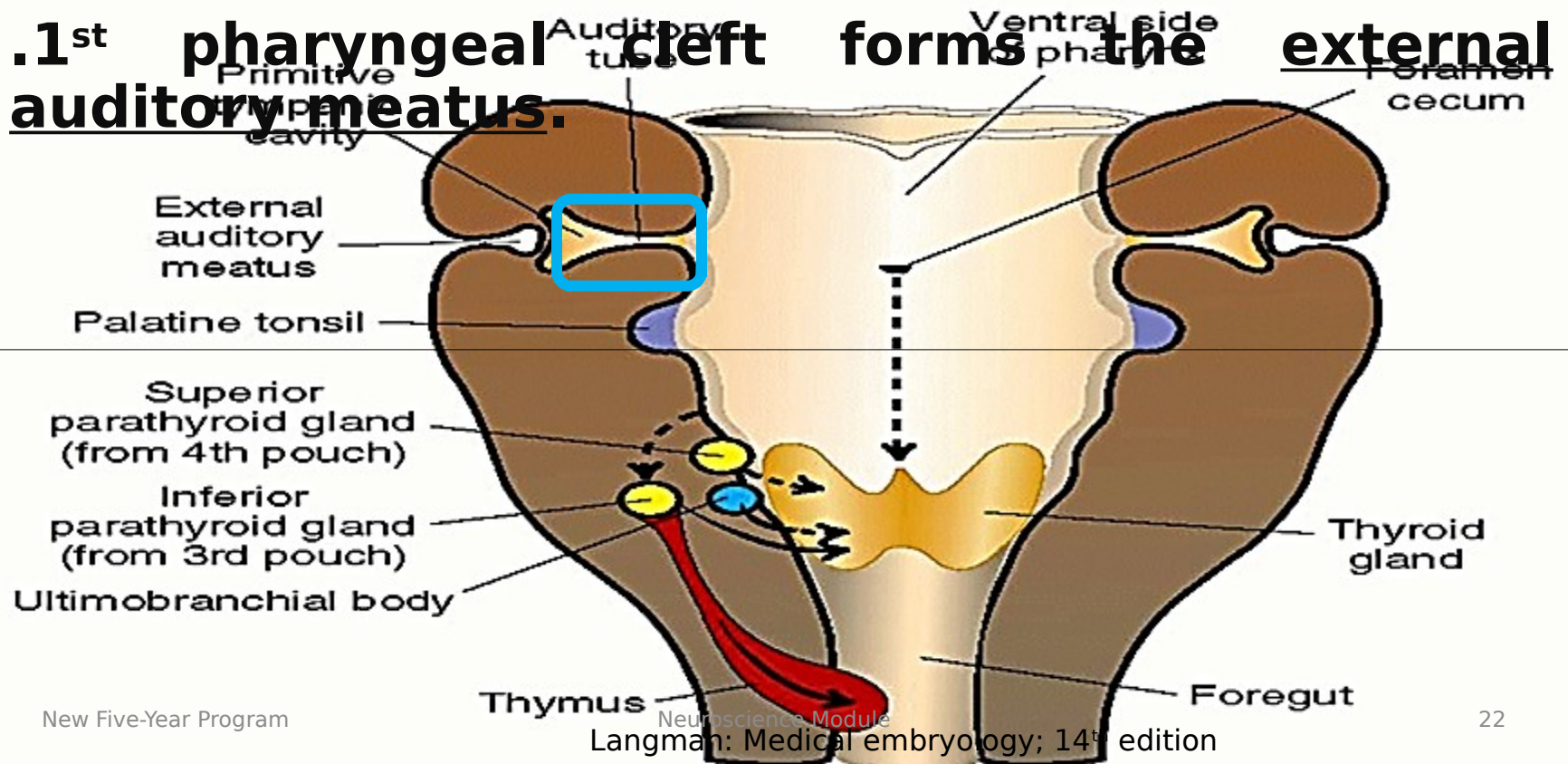


## ● Derivatives of pharyngeal pouches:

- **1<sup>st</sup> pouch** → Tympanic cavity (middle ear) & auditory tube.

.The 1<sup>st</sup> pharyngeal membrane forms the tympanic membrane (eardrum). *Thin layer of mesenchyme*

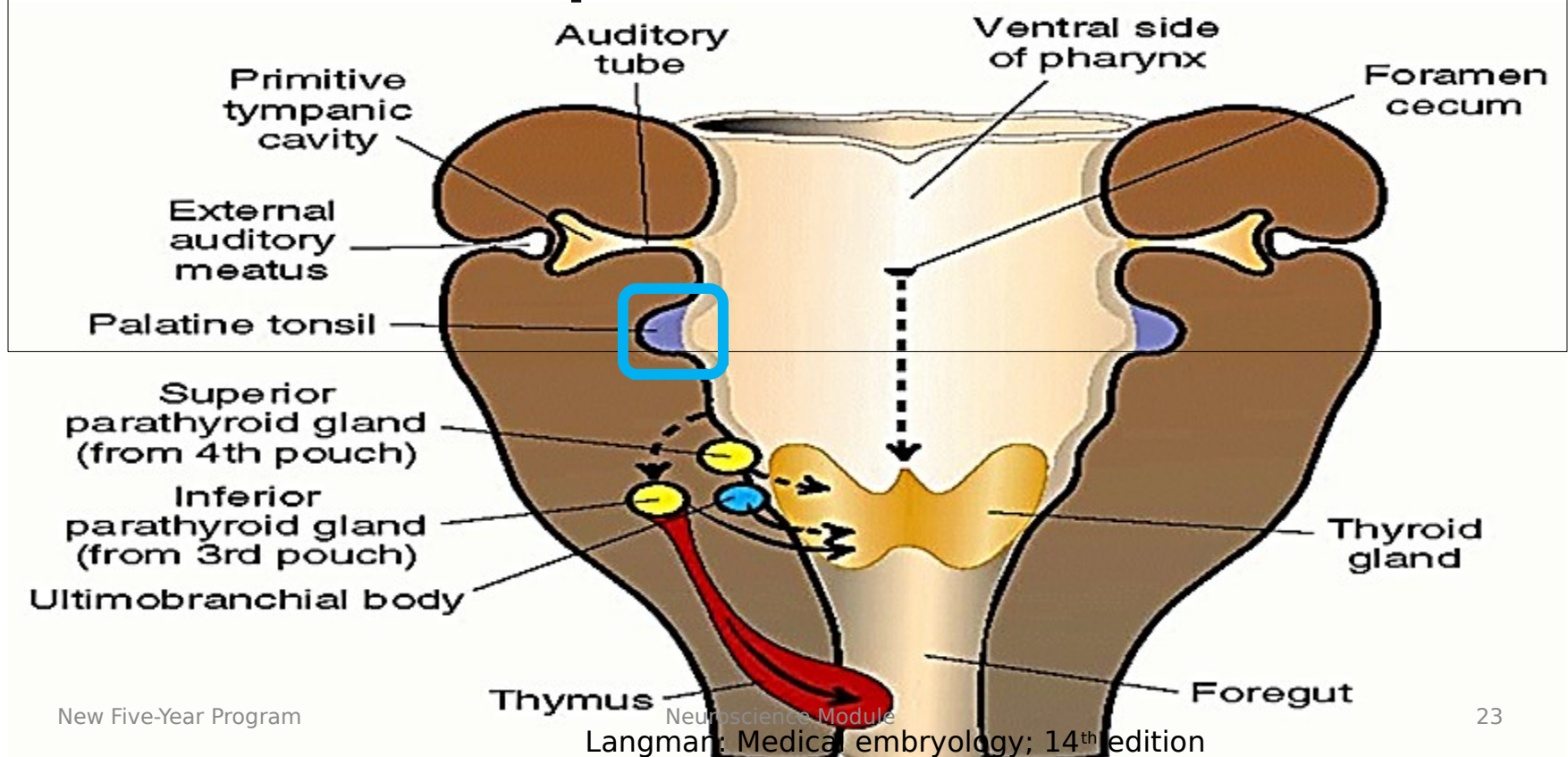
.1<sup>st</sup> pharyngeal cleft forms the external auditory meatus.



**-2<sup>nd</sup> pouch → Palatine tonsil.**

**.The endoderm gives tonsillar sinus & crypts while, surrounding mesenchyme forms the lymphoid tissue.**

**◆Both 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> pharyngeal pouches divide into dorsal & ventral parts.**

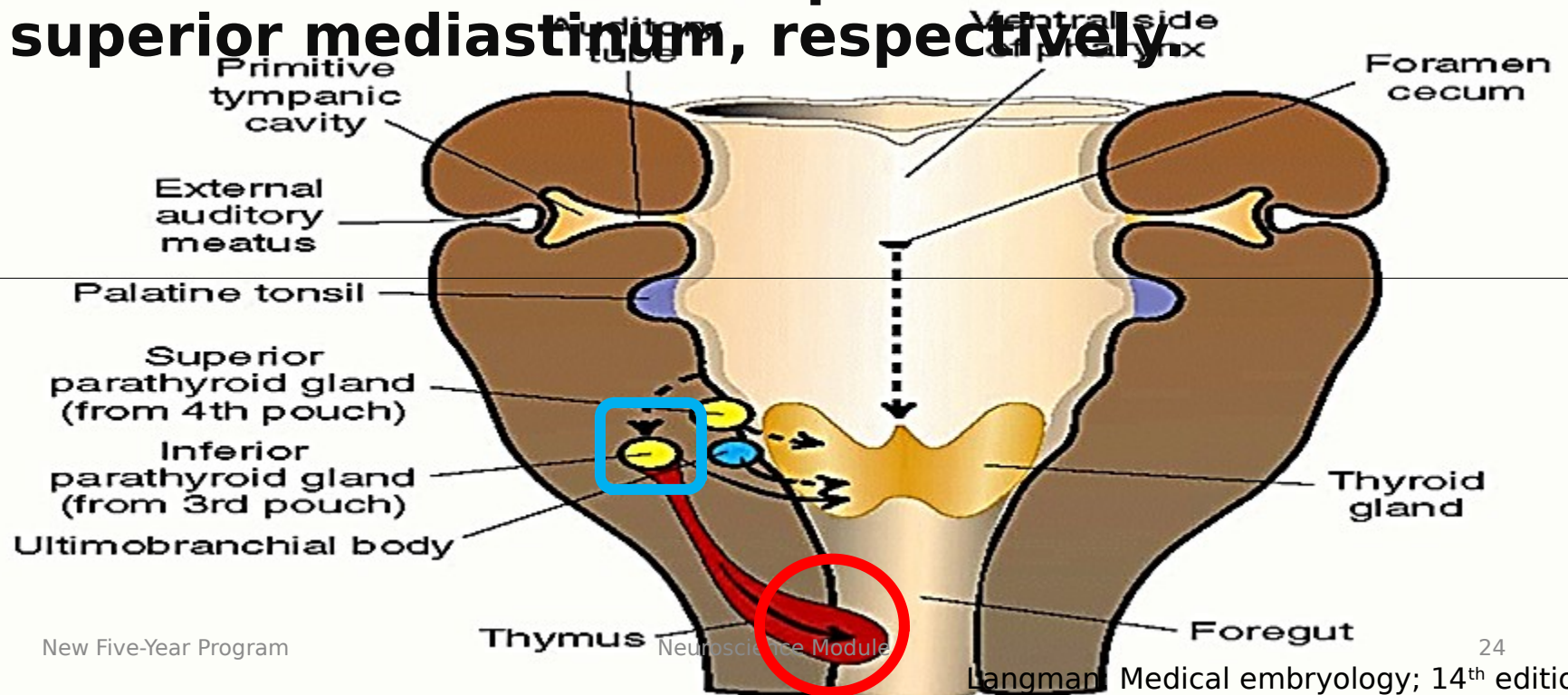


## -3<sup>rd</sup> pouch:

.Dorsal part → Inferior parathyroid glands (parathyroid III)

.Ventral part → Thymus gland.

-Both lose their connections with the pharynx, separate from each other & migrate downwards to lower part of the neck & superior mediastinum, respectively



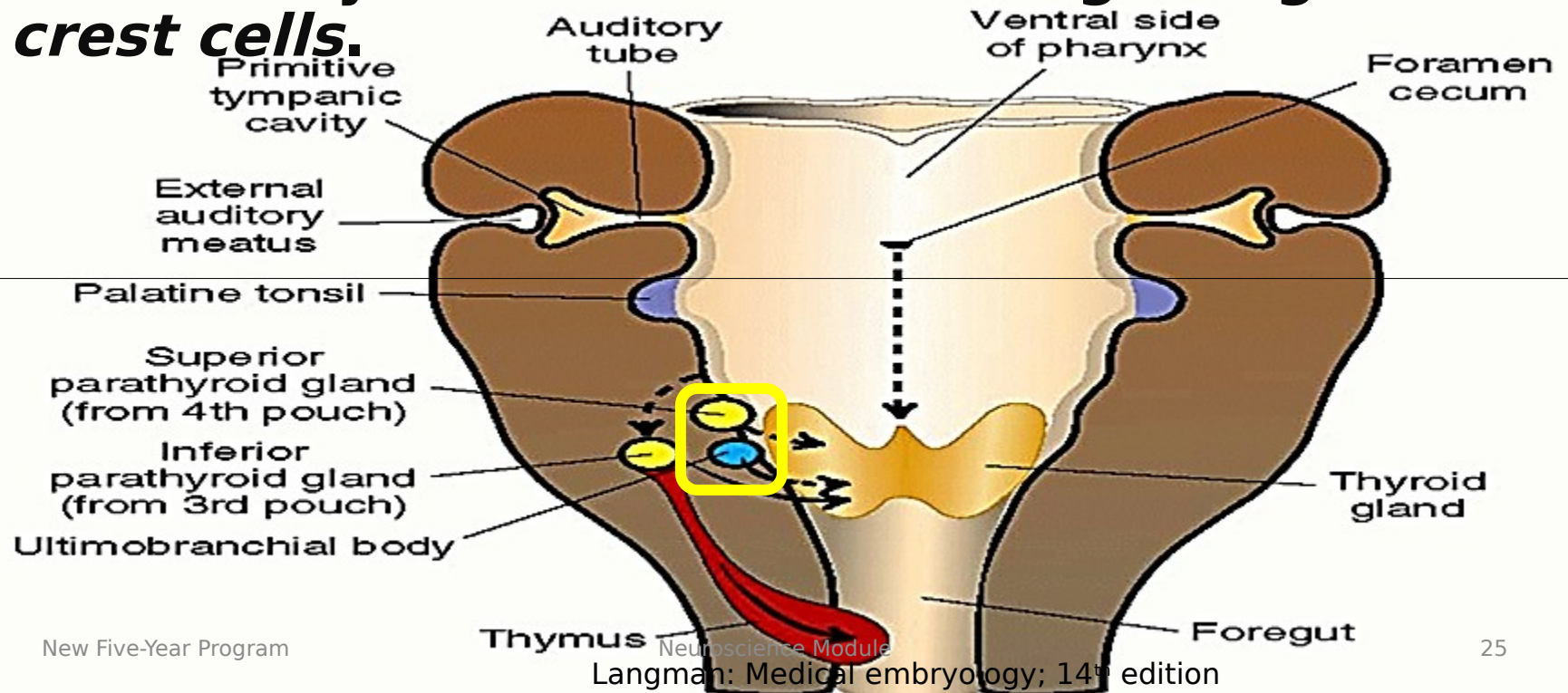


## -4<sup>th</sup> pouch:

.Dorsal part → Superior parathyroid glands (parathyroid **IV**)

.Ventral part → Parafollicular C cells of thyroid gland.

-C cells secrete calcitonin to regulate blood Ca level. They are derived from migrating *neural crest cells*.



# Derivatives of pharyngeal pouches

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Foramen cecum of tongue

Pharyngotympanic tube and tympanic cavity (pouch I)

Tongue

Tonsillar sinus and surface epithelium of palatine tonsil (pouch II)

Tract of thyroglossal duct

Larynx

Ultimopharyngeal body (pouch IV)

Pouch IV

Parathyroid glands

Thyroid gland

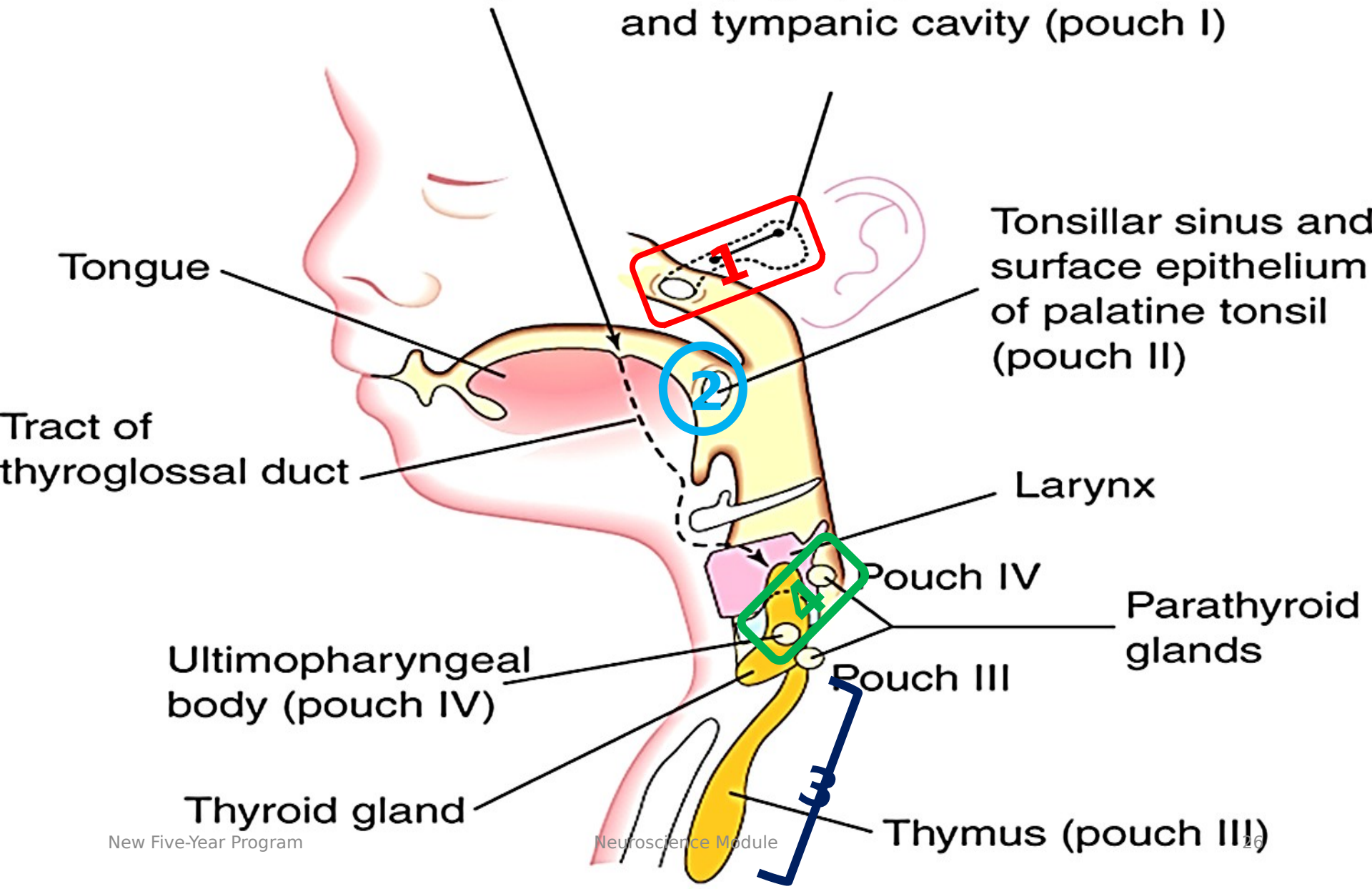
Pouch III

Thymus (pouch III)

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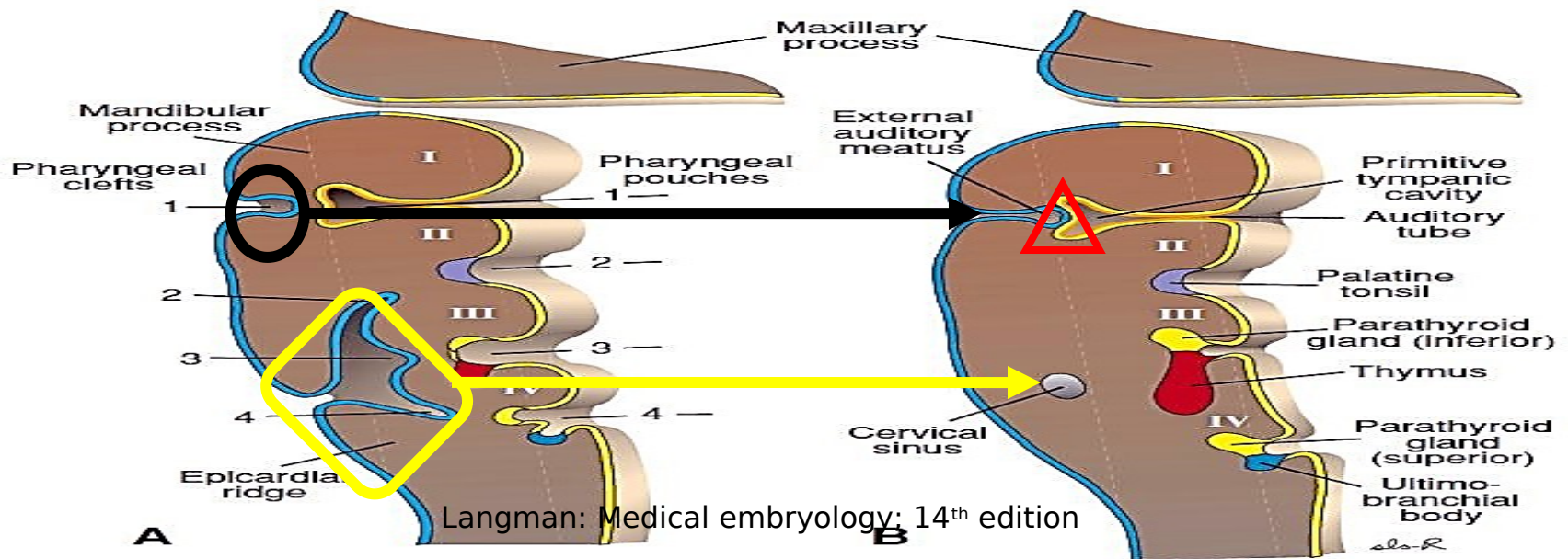
## ♣ Pharyngeal grooves or clefts: 4

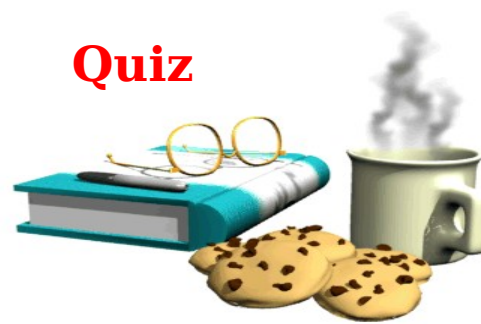
-4 pairs of ectodermal grooves that separate the pharyngeal arches externally.

.Only **1<sup>st</sup> cleft** persists to form the external acoustic meatus on each side.

.Other clefts ⇒ Lie within **cervical sinus** which disappears at 7<sup>th</sup> week.

♦ Only 1<sup>st</sup> pharyngeal membrane persists ⇒ Tympanic membrane. Other membranes disappear





■ Mention true or false for each statement regarding development of pharyngeal apparatus:

a. Inferior parathyroid gland develops from 3<sup>rd</sup> pharyngeal pouch. ☐ ☐

b. Tympanic membrane develops from 1<sup>st</sup> pharyngeal cleft ☒ ☐

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■ Tympanic cavity develops from:

a. 1<sup>st</sup> pharyngeal pouch

b. 2<sup>nd</sup> pharyngeal arch

c. 1<sup>st</sup> pharyngeal cleft

d. 3<sup>rd</sup> pharyngeal arch

e. 3<sup>rd</sup> pharyngeal pouch

## **Congenital anomalies of pharyngeal apparatus**

**1- Auricular pits & cysts:** Anterior to the auricle.

-These are remnants of the 1<sup>st</sup> pharyngeal groove.

**2-Branchial (lateral cervical) sinuses, cysts & fistula.**

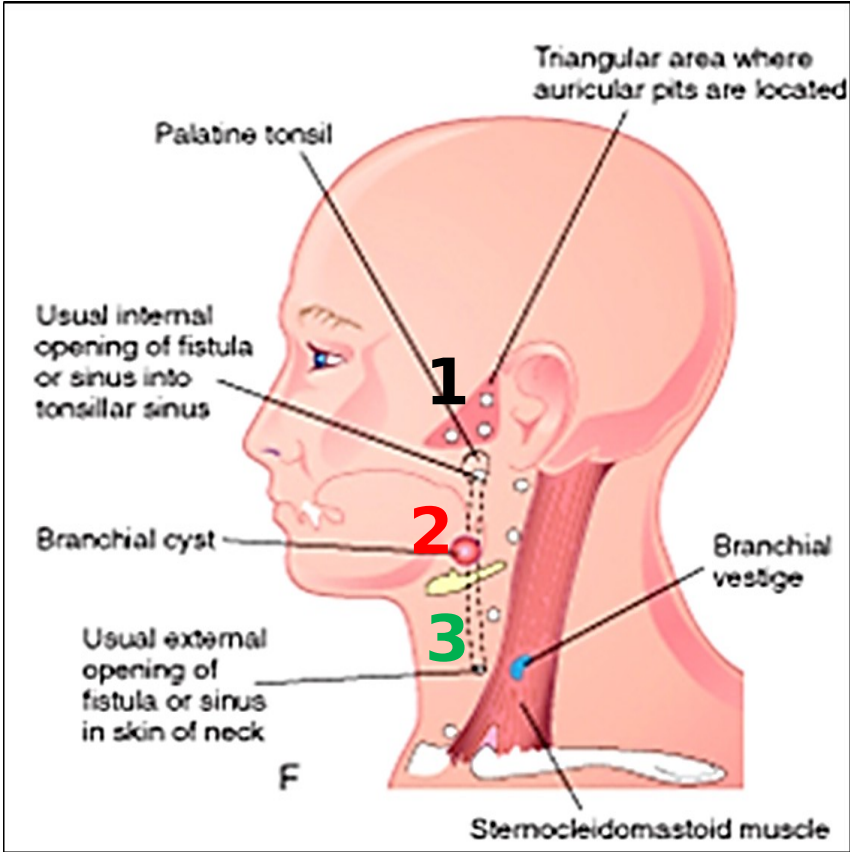
- results from failure of the cervical sinus to obliterate.

-They open on the side of the neck, along the anterior border of the sternocleidomastoid muscle in inferior 1/3 of the neck.

-Branchial or lateral cervical cysts are slowly enlarged, painless swelling on the side of the neck.



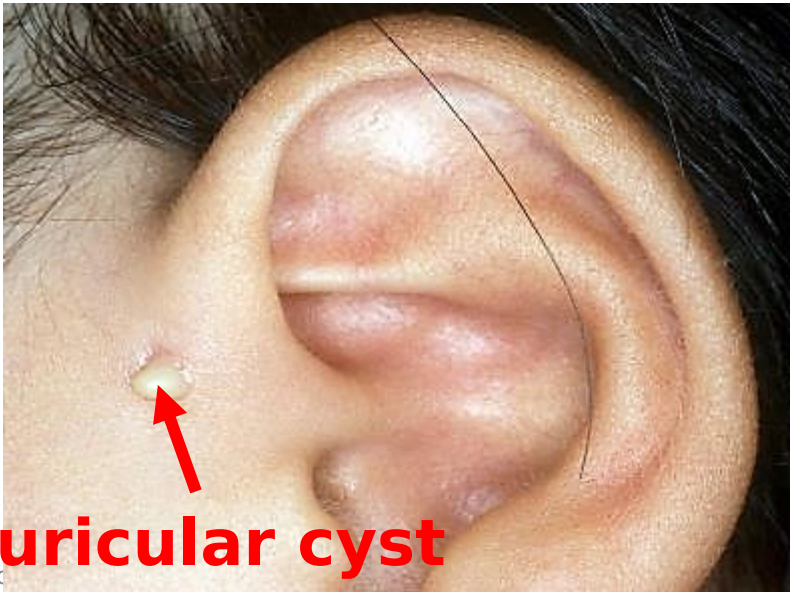
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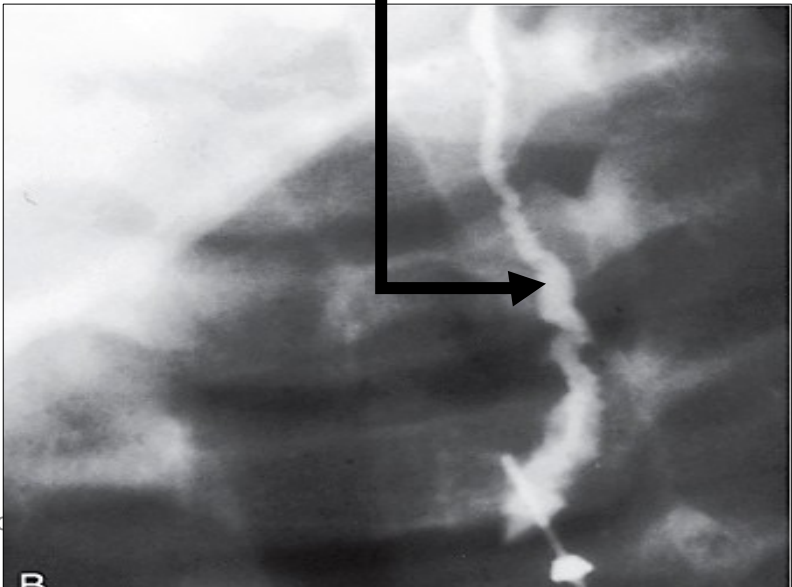
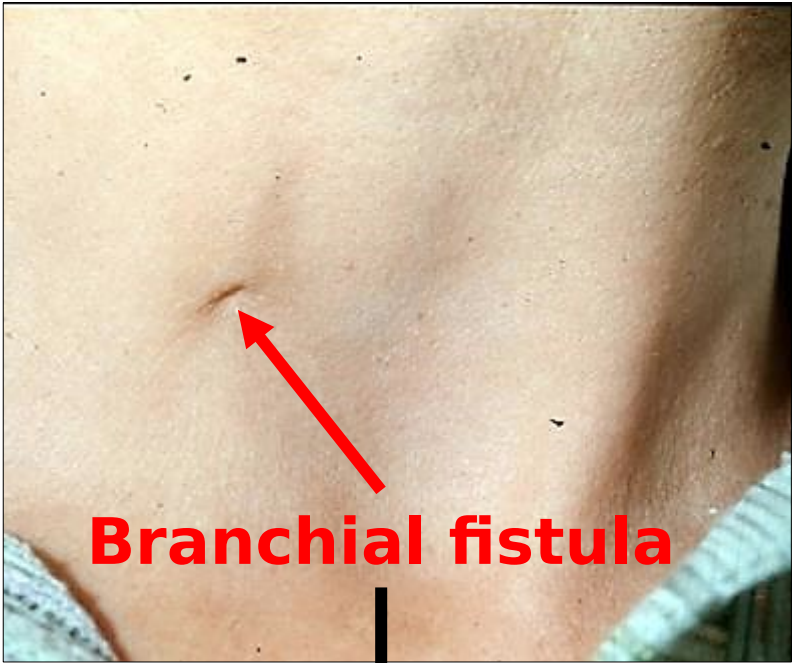


**Auricular pit**



**Auricular cyst**

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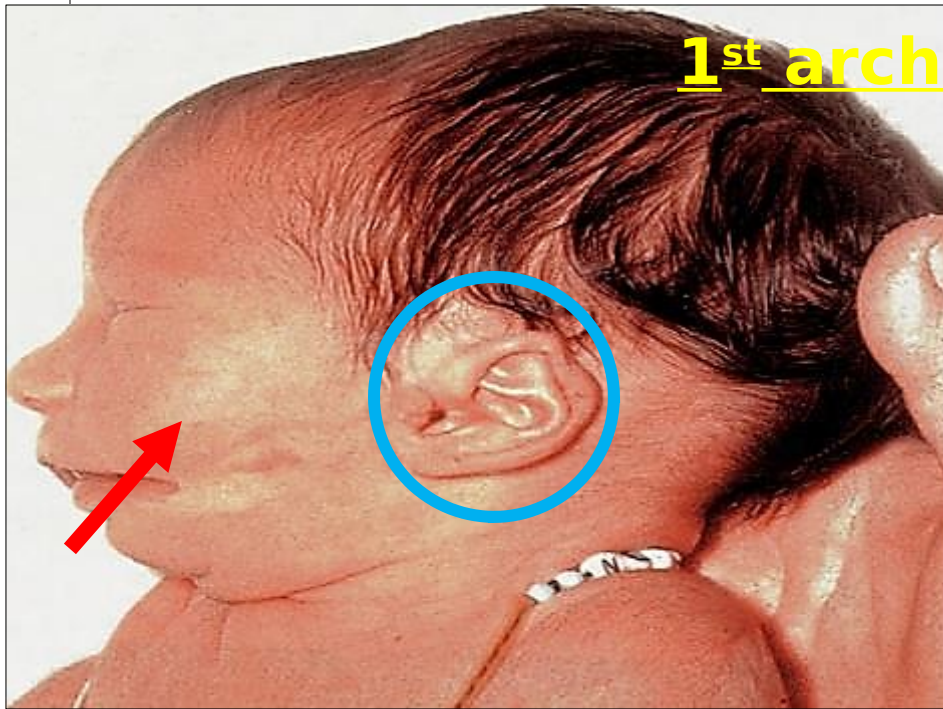




3. **Ectopic parathyroid**: Inferior parathyroid may descend into thorax with thymus.

4. **1<sup>st</sup> arch syndromes**: These syndromes result from insufficient migration of neural crest cells into 1<sup>st</sup> arch.

. **Treacher Collins syndrome**: Malar hypoplasia (under development of zygomatic bone) & deformed external ears.





## **5. DiGeorge syndrome (3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> pharyngeal pouches syndrome):**

- Absence of thymus & parathyroids. *Immune deficiency & ↓ Ca***
- Anomalies of the heart.**
- Facial defects as fish mouth & cleft lip.**

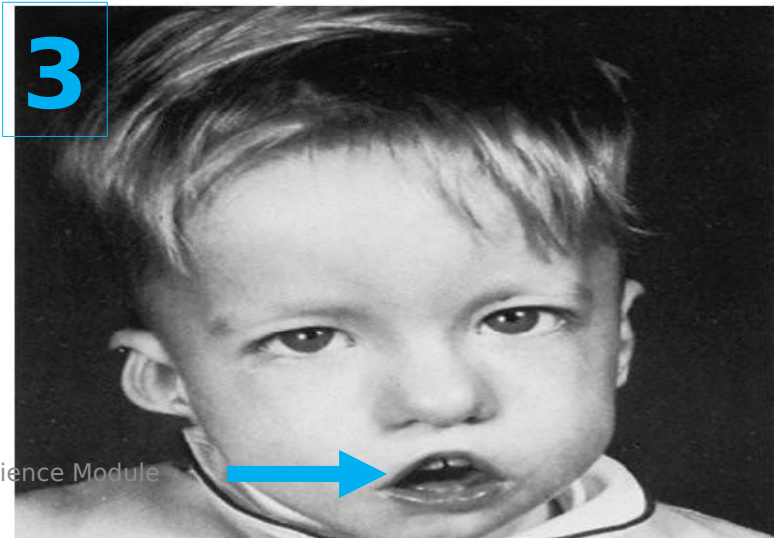
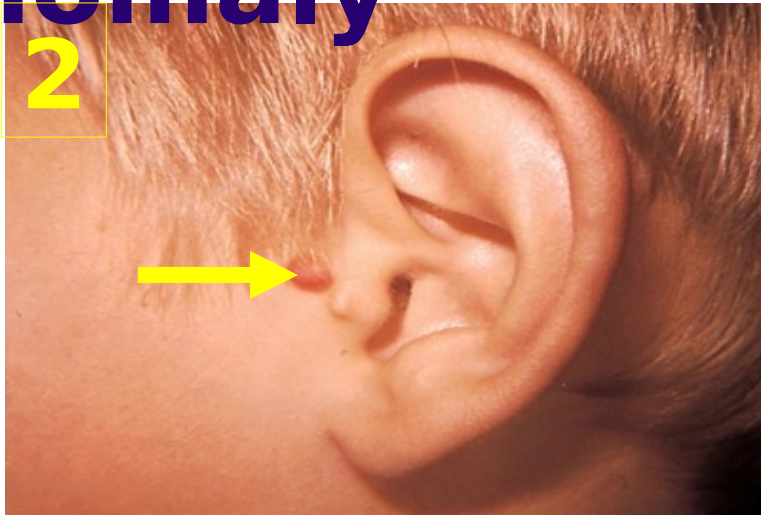


## **DiGeorge syndrome**

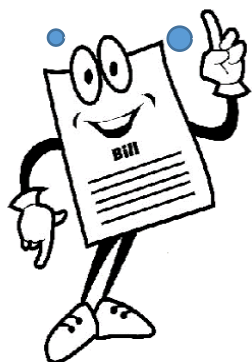


Quiz

Identify the anomaly



## Lecture Summary



### Branchial (pharyngeal) apparatus:

- **4 components:** ⇒ Development of head & neck

1. **Pharyngeal arches. Mesodermal** → 6

2. **Pharyngeal pouches. Endodermal** → 4

3. **Pharyngeal clefts (grooves). Ectodermal** → 4

4. **Each pharyngeal arch** → 4 has 4 components: **A C M N**

- Nerve supply of pharyngeal arches: **1975**

**Remember derivatives of pharyngeal arches, pharyngeal pouches, membranes & clefts. Very important**

**Remember congenital anomalies of pharyngeal apparatus & their explanation**

## SUGGESTED TEXTBOOKS



- 1.Keith L. Moore: Before we are born, essentials of embryology and birth defects; 7<sup>th</sup> edition.**
- 2.Langman: Medical embryology; 14<sup>th</sup> edition.**
- 3.Web sites: <https://studentconsult.inkling.com>  
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